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SUBJ: BERLINGUER TO VISIT HUNGARY AND YUGOSLAVIA

1. JOURNALIST SOURCE HAS INFORMED US IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE
THAT PCI GENERAL SECRETARY ENRICO BERLINGUER WILL DEPART OCTOBER 2
FOR A FOUR-DAY TRIP TO HUNGARY AND YUGOSLAVIA. BERLINGUER
EXPECTS TO BE IN BUDAPEST OCTOBER 2 AND 3 DURING WHICH
TIME HE WILL HOLD MEETINGS WITH KADER. HE THEN WILL TRAVEL
TO BELGRADE WHERE OCTOBER 4 WILL BE DEVOTED TO SESSIONS
WITH TITO AND OTHER LEAGUE OF COMMUNIST OFFICIALS. BERLINGUER
IS SCHEDULED TO RETURN TO ROME OCTOBER 5. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCE-
MENT OF THE TWO VISITS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR IN L'UNITA
OCTOBER 2. ANSELMO GOUTHIER, A MEMBER OF BOTH THE PCI
SECRETARIAT AND THE DIRECTORATE, WILL BE THE ONLY
SENIOR PARTY OFFICIAL ACCOMPANYING BERLINGUER ON THE
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2. COMMENT. A BERLINGUER TRIP TO HUNGARY HAS LONG
BEEN IN THE MAKING, AND IT PROBABLY WAS AGREED UPON DURING
SECRETARIAT MEMBER CHIAROMONTE'S VISIT TO BUDAPEST IN
JULY. IN PCI EYES, THE HUNGARIAN PARTY LEADERSHIP
STANDS OUT IN TERMS OF ITS ATTEMPT TO CARVE OUT A CERTAIN

MEASURE OF INDEPENDENCE FROM THE SOVIETS, AND THUS IT
BECOMES A WORTHY INTERLOCUTOR AMONG THOSE IN EASTERN
EUROPE. THE BELGRADE VISIT SHOULD PROBABLY
BE SEEN IN THE CONTEXT OF INCREASED CONSULTATIONS WHICH
HAVE DEVELOPED BETWEEN THE YUGOSLAV AND ITALIAN PARTIES
IN THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS WITH THE PCI'S DESIRE
TO BE BRIEFED ON TITO'S RECENT TRAVELS, PARTICULARLY
HIS MEETINGS WITH THE NEW CHINESE LEADERSHIP.GARDNER

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